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SUBJECT: ELIMINATION OF WEAPONS GRADE PLUTONIUM PRODUCTION  
IN RUSSIA CONFERENCE - DEMARCHE TO DUTCH MFA

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PolMilOff and Swiss Embassy Counselor Jean-Hubert Lebet delivered reftel demarche to Dutch MFA Security Policy Bureau Special Advisor Bas ter Haar on December 21. Ter Haar repeated Dutch support for the program -- previously expressed to NP Mike Stafford and DOE/NNSA Jim Turner during their 2004 visits to The Hague -- and said that the GONL hoped to make a financial contribution to the project in 2005. He also said he would determine whether the GONL could be represented at the Spietz conference. PolMilOff noted to him the December 23 deadline for confirmation of attendance. SOBEL